(b) if so, whether there is any proposal to remove all such items from the Super Bazar;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS (SHRI RAGHUBANS PRASAD SINGH): (a) to (d) The Super Bazar has informed that they are not selling sub-standard and poor quality items. The Super Bazar has its own laboratory and all the food items are tested in it strictly as per quality norms by way of random sample checking. The test checking of items other than agricultural products is also done and in case of inferiority, the items are rejected and goods returned to the parties.

The introduction and discontinuation of sale of items is a continuous process in a commercial and trading house like Super Bazar.

Non-submission of Audit Accounts by NGOs

*67. SHRI O.P. KOHLI: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that large number of NGOs which have received funds from the Government exist only on paper and have not submitted any audited accounts;

(b) if so, the total number of NGOs that received the funds from Government, year-wise, in the last five years, and how many of those NGOs have not submitted the audited statements of accounts; and

(c) the steps Government propose to take to ensure that only bonafide NGOs receive Government grants in future?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) There are already certain checks to ensure that only bonafide NGOs receive Government grants. They are:—

(i) the NGO should be registered under Societies Registration Act 1860 and working for at least two years.

(ii) The proposal of the NGO should be forwarded by the concerned State Government alongwith an inspection report;

(iii) Audited accounts of the NGO is verified before releasing grants.

(iv) Second instalment to the NGO is released only after receipt of detailed inspection report from the State Government.

(v) NGOs receiving grants of Rs. 25 lakhs and above are audited by the CAG.

(vi) The Ministry has initiated action for review of performance of the grantee institutions in receipt of grants in excess of Rs. 10 lakhs per annum.

(vii) No grants are sanctioned where there is reasonable suspicion or suggestion of corrupt practices unless the bodies concerned are cleared of the allegations.

Proposal to put wheat import and export under O.G.L.

*68. SHRI SOM PAL: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what have been the year-wise and country-wise details of value and quantity of the wheat imported and exported during the past five years;

(b) whether there is a proposal to put wheat imports and exports under O.G.L.; and

(c) if yes, what is the rationale thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS